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OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS, REGION I

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Mr. Zack Sampson  
c/o MuckRock News  
DEPT MR 6853  
PO Box 55819  
Boston, MA 02205

Re: FOIA #14-00021-F

Dear Mr. Sampson:

I am writing in response to your information requests received by the U.S. Department of Education (Department), Office for Civil Rights (OCR) September 25, 2013. You requested "all self-evaluations filed...under any provision of Title 34 C.F.R Part 106 between January 1, 2010" and September 25, 2013, by the following institutions: Wheelock College, Simmons College, the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, the University of Massachusetts, Boston, the University of Massachusetts, Lowell, the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Emmanuel College, Emerson College, Suffolk University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Harvard University, Boston University and Northeastern University. Because OCR's records are subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), we are treating your request under the provisions of FOIA.

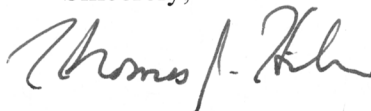
OCR conducted a search based on the information you provided in your requests and found that there are no documents responsive to your request. You have the right to appeal this determination by writing, within 35 days of your receipt of this letter, to:

Assistant Secretary for Management  
Office of Management  
U.S. Department of Education  
400 Maryland Avenue, S.W.  
Room 2W311, LBJ  
Washington, DC 20202-4500  
ATTN: FOIA Appeals

You may also send FOIA appeals via email to: [EDFOIAappeals@ed.gov](mailto:EDFOIAappeals@ed.gov); via fax to (202) 401-0920; or, you may complete the online FOIA appeals form at: [http://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/foia/foia\\_appeal\\_form\\_1.html](http://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/foia/foia_appeal_form_1.html). Your appeal should be accompanied by a copy of your initial request and this denial letter, and should contain any evidence or argument you wish the Department to consider in making an administrative determination on your appeal.

If you have any questions, please contact Senior Civil Rights Attorney Nicole Merhill by telephone at (617) 289-0040, or by email at [Nicole.Merhill@ed.gov](mailto:Nicole.Merhill@ed.gov). You may also contact me at (617) 289-0111.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas J. Hibino". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Thomas" being more prominent than the last name "Hibino".

Thomas J. Hibino  
FOIA Denial Officer